
Maple Grove Mennonite Church

March 14, 2021

9:30 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship Service

*If you desire prayer, those wearing white ribbons are available to pray with you.
If you are new to our church and want additional information about Maple Grove, please
see Alan or an usher for a visitor packet after the service.
Nursery care is provided for infant through age 3.*

Prelude	Worship Team
Welcome & Opening	Robert Zook
Worship in Song	Worship Team
Prayer for the Offerings (Regular & My Coins Count)	
Scripture Reading	Ephesians 2:1-10
Sermon	“...BUT GOD...!” Alan Kauffman
Response Song	
Final Blessing	
Visitors & Church Announcements	
Share & Prayer	
Sending Song	

March 7, 2021

Offering	Missions	My Coins Count	Attendance
\$4,467.00	\$500.00	\$369.95	SS: 51 WS: 78

This Week:

Monday, March 15, 6:00 PM – Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 17 – Fast & Pray Day

Next Week’s Text: Psalm 51:1-12

Looking Ahead:

April 1 - Maundy Thursday Service,

April 4 - Easter Continental Breakfast, No SS

April 11 - John Schmid here

Prayer Concerns:

- ◆ Our two church families to pray for this week: Steven Bender, Priscilla Sahn, Kate Miller, Cameron Barber, Kasey Varner, Finley Bender & Millie Bender and Ken & Mel Byler
- ◆ Council meets tomorrow evening. Pray for them as they meet and make decisions regarding church life.
- ◆ LMC's Celebration of Church life is a virtual gathering this coming Saturday morning. Anyone can tune in. Pray all tech issues go smoothly and use it as a prompt to pray for LMC.
- ◆ As we collect coins for the Seth Berger Fund this month, take time to pray for the family and friends of Seth who continue to grieve his passing.

Praise Notes:

- ◆ Wednesday is St. Patrick's Day. Give thanks for the Christian saints that have had an influence in the church.
- ◆ As we have begun to meet in Sunday School classes again, give thanks for your teachers and the chance to study the Bible together.
- ◆ We were dead in our transgressions and sins . . . But GOD! Praise God for His wealth of mercy and grace spent on us.

Senior Birthday This Week

Helen L. Yoder

March 19

Our **Maundy Thursday Service** will be held April 1, in the auditorium at 7:00 PM. There will be communion, but there will be no foot washing. An alms offering will be collected as you enter the auditorium and will be used for future alms needs. There will also be a time for us to share what we may have experienced in this journey of “Going Deeper” during Lent. This service is not just for members, but for anyone that wants to worship and reflect on what Jesus has done for us.

A continental breakfast will be served in the fellowship hall on **Easter** morning at 9:00. All food and utensils will be provided. There are sign-up sheets in the classrooms and on the bulletin board for those planning to attend. There will be no Sunday School that morning and the Worship Service will begin at 10:00 AM. Again, all are welcome!

If you are unable to attend the **communion service** but would like to be served the emblems in your home, contact Alan.

Children's bulletins for ages 3-6 and 7-12 are available on the table at the entrance to the auditorium.

Financial statements for Dec. 1, 2020 through Feb. 28, 2021 are in the mailboxes of the Finance Committee, Council and Ministerial Team. Additional copies are under the mailboxes for those interested.

LMC's Celebration of Church Life will be held this Saturday, March 20, 2021 from 9:00 AM to 2:15 PM. You do not need to have a zoom account or Facebook to watch the main events (seminars will be via zoom). On the day of the event, go to LMC's website LMCchurches.org and all zoom and livestream links will be available there. No registration is required and the tentative schedule is on the bulletin board.

Don't forget our "**My Coins Count**" offerings each Sunday in March which will be given to our local Belleville Fire Company Seth Berger Fund. As you enter the auditorium, there are firemen's boots to put your coins, dollars and checks. Our goal is \$1,000. Checks should be made to Maple Grove.

The Ministerial Team would ask the congregation for continued prayers for our elder selection process. To date, none of the elders nominated and contacted have felt called to this ministry. The Ministerial Team is taking another 2 weeks to pray about this. As

you pray, if you believe God gives you a person who is gifted and might serve in this ministry, let Jason Yoder know by March 21. Thanks for joining us in prayer. The Ministerial Team

The March issue of our church newsletter, the **Maple Leaf**, is under the mailboxes. Help yourself!

Our day to contribute **soup and boxed macaroni/cheese** to Backyard Club is this coming Monday, March 15. Please have your donations on the bench in the foyer by 10:30 that day.

It is time to renew your subscription to *Anabaptist World* (formerly *The Mennonite*). If you would like to order under the church group plan, the cost is \$39/yr. Your check should be payable to Maple Grove Church and you may drop it off in the church office by Sunday, March 28.

Hope Collective, Mifflin County Area Churches, are holding an **old-fashioned hymn sing** next Sunday evening at 6:00 at the Lewistown Presbyterian Church, 17 E. Third St., Lewistown. It will be led by Randy French and others. In person guests are asked to wear a mask and social distance. You can also join in online at the Hope Collective Facebook page.

For the month of March we are collecting **Clorox and laundry detergent** for Shelter Services. The Shelter also has a need for a micro wave and a few sets of double bed sheets. These should be in good condition but do not have to be new. If you can donate any of these items, please contact Lavern & Kathy Yutzy at yutco@msn.com or 717-437-0707 or 717-437-0006.

Food for thought from our Health Promoter – Dar Yoder: Lord Jesus, make yourself to me a living bright reality; more present to faith's vision keen than any outward object seen.

Belleville Mennonite School is hosting an Open House on Friday, March 19th from 5:00-7:00 pm.

- ◆ PreK & PreK Counts classroom activities for prospective students
- ◆ Bear Hunt for prospective Kindergarten students at 5:00 & 6:30
- ◆ Hallways throughout the school filled with writing assignments, class projects & artwork
- ◆ 8th grade Living History Museum, 9th & 10th grade Da Vinci Fair
- ◆ Tours available throughout the evening
- ◆ Homemade soft pretzels for sale from the Café

For more information, visit www.bmsprek12.org, or call the school office @ 717-935-2184.

New to the Brochure Rack

- ◆ Marketplace Magazine

Maple Grove has a Child Protection Policy		
	This Week	Next Week
Nursery – SS	Clint & Krissy Bonson	Sheila & Amber Penepacker
Nursery-Worship	Nancy Kauffman & Marilyn Spangler	Pearl Stanbrough & Rosie Peachey
Sound Technician	John Baker	Jared Byler

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“Gathered to know Jesus, sent to make Jesus known”

LENT/EASTER DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

GOING DEEPER

WEEK 5 – MARCH 15 - 21, 2021

We are more than halfway now. Athletes and other disciplines are likely aware of what is known as muscle memory. A repetitiveness of certain movements that eventually become instinctive or second nature. May this Lenten journey create a kind of spiritual muscle memory within you so that praying for yourself, your loved ones, neighbors, Maple Grove and the world become instinctive as you move throughout your days. This week provides ample chances as we all need healing in some way.

THEME – DEEPER HEALING

THOUGHT FOR EACH DAY: Life wounds us in many ways. God’s desire is that we be healed, wholly healed in body, mind and spirit. While we may not always be healed in the specific ways we desire, there is healing available for us. We shall be made whole, if not in this life then in eternity.

SCRIPTURE READING FOR EACH DAY – Psalm 103

DAILY PRAYER SUGGESTIONS:

MONDAY – Pick at least 2 things from Psalm 103 and take time to thoroughly praise God for specific ways it has been true in your walk with God.

TUESDAY – Pray for someone dear to you who is needing healing in some form.

WEDNESDAY – The need for healing is not always obvious. Listen closely to conversations you have with others today and then take it to the Lord in prayer.

THURSDAY – Pray for somebody at Maple Grove today who has recently suffered in some way.

FRIDAY – Covid has wreaked havoc in our world the past 12 months. Pray for healing of whatever aspect of this comes to mind.

SATURDAY – What about you? If there is one area of your life most in need of healing, what might that be? Pray believing God cares and wants you whole.

SUNDAY PRAYER-

For those weighed down by ill health, bring wholeness to body, mind and spirit.

For those weighed down by worry, bring wisdom, peace and reassurance.

For those weighed down by fear, bring freedom, release and liberation.

For those weighed down by sadness, bring comfort, strength and joy.

For those who need your healing in any way, we come to You in hope and trust.

BLESSING FOR EACH DAY– May God, out of his glorious riches, strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. May you be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God, who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.

FINAL THOUGHT FOR EACH DAY– (Take a few moments to quietly reflect on what God’s Spirit may be saying to your spirit.) None of us are completely whole. What can I do for myself or others today to make room for God’s healing?